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## TELEGRAM

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File REF-1

FROM	AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES	CLASSIFICATION	<del>SECRET</del>
E.O. 11652:	GDS	ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)	
TAGS:	SHUM, SREF, AR, BR	U.S. DEPT. OF STATE, A/RPS/IPS	
SUBJECT:	ARGENTINE REFUGEES IN BRAZIL	Margaret P. Grafeld, Director	
ACTION:	SECSTATE WASHDC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Release ( ) Excise ( ) Deny	
INFO:	AMEMBASSY BRASILIA	Exemption(s): _____	
	<del>SECRET</del> BUENOS AIRES: 1 5264	Declassify: ( ) In Part <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Full	
		( ) Classify as _____ ( ) Extend as _____ ( ) Downgrade to _____	
		Date _____ Declassify on _____ Reason _____	
CHARGE	REF: (A) STATE 163308 (B) BRASILIA 5566 (C) BA 5028		
POL-3	1. THE PRESS REPORT ON THE INCIDENT DESCRIBED IN REFS		
POL/R	A AND C WAS DATELINED PORTO ALEGRE, BRAZIL AND APPEARED ONLY		
ECOM	IN THE LOCAL ENGLISH AND GERMAN LANGUAGE PRESS. UNHCR		
USIS	REPRESENTATIVE ROBERT MULLER SAID HE HAS BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL		
RF	IN TRACKING DOWN THE IDENTITY OF THE TWO ARGENTINE CITIZENS		
CHRON	AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THEIR RETURN TO ARGENTINA. HE		
INSP	SAID, HOWEVER, THAT THEY WERE NOT REFUGEES REGISTERED		
	UNDER UNHCR MANDATE AND THAT THE ARGENTINE REFUGEE COMMUNITY		
	IN BRAZIL SHOWED NO PARTICULAR REACTION TO OR ALARM OVER THE		
	INCIDENT.		
	2. APPARENTLY, ARGENTINE CITIZENS WHO ENTER BRAZIL ILLEGALLY,		
	PARTICULARLY IN BORDER AREAS, ARE ROUTINELY RETURNED TO THEIR		
	OWN COUNTRY BY BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES, MUCH AS THE U.S. DOES		

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WITH ILLEGAL MEXICANS. THIS IS NOT TO SUGGEST THAT BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES ARE NOT COOPERATING WITH ARGENTINE REQUESTS TO BE ON THE ALERT FOR ALLEGED TERRORISTS WHO HAVE ILLEGALLY CROSSED INTO BRAZIL.

3. MULLER ADDED THAT TO DATE BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE COOPERATED FULLY WITH UNHCR ON CASES OF MANDATED ARGENTINE REFUGEES, EVEN THOSE WITHOUT PROPER DOCUMENTATION AND VISAS, AND THAT HE BELIEVES BRAZIL HAS HONORED ITS ASSURANCES THAT GOB WILL NOT FORCEABLY REPATRIATE ARGENTINE REFUGEES. AS POINTED OUT IN REF B, HOWEVER, ILLEGAL ARGENTINE ALIENS IN BRAZIL WHO HAVE NOT REGISTERED--OR BEEN ACCEPTED--FOR PROTECTION UNDER UNHCR MANDATE ARE PRONE TO ~~KXXE~~ EXPULSION BY BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES AND IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO MONITOR GOB BEHAVIOR TOWARDS ANONYMOUS AND UNDECLARED ALIENS ILLEGALLY IN BRAZIL.

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